

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Replace the paragraph on page ³ 4, lines ²³⁻²⁵ 13-15 with the following rewritten paragraph: ?

B1 ~~Fig. 1~~ The invention will be better understood by reference to the Detailed Description of the Invention when taken together with the attached Figure, which is a graph showing a state of an irradiated region depending on the fluence and the number of times ~~irradiation~~ irradiated.

Replace the paragraph on page ⁴ 5, line ²⁵ 21- page 6, line 7 with the following rewritten paragraph:

B2 In particular, laser irradiation conditions such as a fluence (energy per unit pulse in a unit area: $\text{J}/\text{cm}^2/\text{pulse}$) and the number of times of irradiation are preferably set so that a charging state becomes suitable for precipitating noble metal. Specifically, the fluence and the number of times of irradiation of laser can be set to be any value in region A in the graph shown in ~~Fig. 1~~ the Figure. Consequently, a charging state of debris generated by abrasion becomes favorable in a laser irradiated region. Deposition of noble metal described later is appropriately performed and thereby the whole surface of the laser irradiated region can be plated.